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TAGS: BTRA, RO

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT OF MINISTERS ALMASAN AND BABALAU

1. BEWT CONTACTED RECENTLY BY U.S. FIRM WESTINGHOUSE AIRBRAKE COMPANY (WABCO) CONCERNING POSSIBLE VISIT TO U.S. LATER THIS YEAR OF MINISTER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN TRADE BUJOR ALMASAN AND MINISTER OF MINES, PETROLEUM AND GEOLOGY CONSTANTIN BABALAU.
2. WABCO AND A CONSULTANT FOR U.S. FIRM DUVAL COPPER COMPANY ASKED BY PETRE ZAMIRCA, WHOM WABCO REPORTED TO BE DEPUTY MINISTER OF MINES, PETROLEUM AND GEOLOGY (WE SHOW NO SUCH RECORD) -- TO HELP ARRANGE TRIP FOR ALMASAN AND BABALAU THAT WOULD INCLUDE VISIT TO WABCO IN PEORIA, ILLINOIS AS WELL AS SEVERAL MINES IN ARIZONA. PROPOSED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TRIP APPEARS TO BE ALONG SAME LINES AS THAT TAKEN BY ZAMIRCA WHEN HE LED 3-MAN MINISTRY OF MINES, PETROLEUM AND GEOLOGY DELEGATION ON TRIP TO U.S. IN APRIL. WABCO APPARENTLY PREPARED TO COVER COST OF TRAVEL INSIDE U.S.

3. PROBLEM ON ROMANIAN SIDE APPEARS TO BE NEED FOR SOME SORT OF INVITATION COMING THROUGH U.S. EMBASSY. WE ARE

UNCLEAR WHETHER THIS MEANS ACTUAL USG INVITATION OR WHETHER WABCO'S INVITATION SIMPLY HAS TO BE CHANNELED THROUGH EMBASSY. BEWT DID NOT ATTEMPT TO INTERPRET WHAT EMBASSY COULD OR COULDN'T DO BUT IN VIEW OF WABCO REPRESENTATIVE'S PLANNED TRIP TO INDIA RETURNING VIA BUCHAREST, WE SUGGESTED THAT HE SPEAK WITH YOU WHILE IN ROMANIA.

4. WABCO REP IS BOB BRENKMAN ARRIVING BUCHAREST MAY 29 FOR ONE WEEK AND STAYING AT INTERCONTINENTAL. IN VIEW OF MONDAY HOLIDAY, BEWT SUGGESTED POSSIBLE 9:00 AM MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 31 WITH MEMBER OF ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SECTION. APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS IN SEEING BRENKMAN. VANCE

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